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1. General Klapalek had been removed as CG of the 1st MD by May 1950. General of Infantry Kveton (fnu) had been arrested. *
2. The artillery units participating in the 1950 May Day parade were equipped only with old German, British and Soviet guns.
3. Modern weapons manufactured in Czechoslovakia, particularly artillery pieces, were shipped to the Soviet Union. **
4. Several soldiers were arrested in Beroun (N 50/L 57) in April 1950 because they had left their civilian clothes with people living near the barracks in order to facilitate escape in case of mobilization.

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* Comment. Believed to be General Karel Klapalek. There have been many changes in key military positions.

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** Comment. The information is consistent with the available data on Czech Army equipment. With the exception of light infantry weapons, Czech-made and Czech-designed weapons have not been observed with the Czech Army.

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